



# City of Edgewood

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Beth Auerbach, Outdoor Grants Manager  
State of Washington Recreation and Conservation Office  
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**RE: Edgewood Community Park: Phase 1 – Request for Extension (Project #16-1991)**

Ms. Auerbach,

The Edgewood Community Park: Phase 1 project has been in development for well over a decade, proposing to construct a half-mile loop trail, inclusive destination playground, picnic shelter, grass amphitheater, restroom, and multi-use programmable general purpose field. With the help of our Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, we submitted our grant application to the RCO in June 2016, we were awarded funding in 2018, the grant agreement was authorized by our City Council on February 26, 2019 by Resolution No 19-0448, and the design contract was executed with The Berger Partnership in March 2020.

We have experienced numerous issues and coordination challenges during the design effort and permit review, including but not limited to additional critical area review, reconfiguration of the proposed site features, and the COVID-19 crisis, resulting in significant schedule delays. Once all of these issues had been sufficiently coordinated, we were able to submit permit applications for review on April 6, 2020, nearly six months later than originally anticipated by the grant application. The SEPA determination issued on June 16, 2020, nearly 11 months later than anticipated by the grant application. While we wait for the Federal Notice to Proceed, our bid documents are in process with anticipated delivery to RCO within the next couple of weeks.

While we are on track for construction to start this September, we are likely unable to complete this project before the December 31, 2020 "project end date". Therefore, in order to ensure construction is completed and ample time is allowed for appropriate project closeout, we humbly request a 12-month extension to the current grant agreement. Please advise if you need anything further in this regard, and thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Jeremy Metzler, PE  
Public Works Director